



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Raul Raudales  
Serial No. : 09/293,198  
Filed : April 16, 1999  
Title : VEGETABLE PRODUCT DRYING

Art Unit : 3749  
Examiner : Andrea M. Ragonese

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated September 4, 2003, be extended for three months to and including March 4, 2004.

Enclosed is a check for \$475 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, Order No. 09879-003001.

Respectfully submitted,


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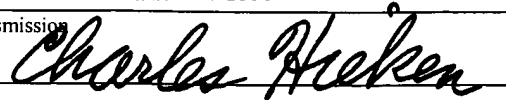
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